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IRELAND.

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More Graceful Concessions.

The attitude of the Government on the question of vaccination may be graceful, but it is not likely to satisfy either the advocates or objectors of the practice, because vaccination is either beneficial or useless; if the former it should be firmly enforced for the public good, and if useless, it should be abandoned; but Mr. Balfour's announcement in the House on Tuesday that hereafter no penalty will be inflicted upon parents who refuse to vaccinate their children, provided they go into Court and affirm "conscientious objections," is perchance the death knell of this antidote to small-pox.

The Man Pays.

A LADY we know, lately had a trained nurse in her house, who flashed into her room in gorgeous array: "How do you like my frock," she enquired. "Oh! its very smart," the invalid replied. "And so it ought to be," said the nurse, "it cost fifteen guineas."

According to the report of the case of Jolly and Son v. Lewis and Lewis, the plaintiffs, who are drapers at Bath, sought to recover a sum of £95 3s. 1d. from the executors of a Mr. Henry Watkin Lewis, for clothes supplied to Miss Edith Mary Howell, a trained nurse, a member of the Swansea and South Wales Nursing Institute, where it came out in evidence that the nurse was deeply in debt to the above firm of drapers, and paid for goods obtained in 1893-4 in 1896. In 1897 she received no salary, her male patient paying for her clothes, which included a sealskin jacket at sixty-five guineas!

Such legal proceedings do not elevate the nursing profession in the opinion of the public.

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At the forthcoming Conference of the National Union of Women Workers which opens at Norwich on Monday, October 24th, two papers will be of special interest to nurses. On the 25th "The Work of Midwives in Villages" will be discussed. The papers on the subject will be written by Mrs. Wallace Bruce and Miss Katherine Twining, Plaistow, and the discussion will be

opened by Lady Laura Riddling and Miss Amy Hughes, Lady Superintendent of the Nurses' Co-operation.

ON the 26th inst. a paper will be contributed by Miss Gibson, Matron of the Infirmary, Birmingham on "The Care and Nursing of the Epileptic;" the names of those who will lead the discussion have not yet been announced.

MRS. MCINTYRE, Matron of the Sir Julian Goldsmid Home of Rest at Brighton, acknowledges with thanks ten beautiful books sent by Miss Harris of Westcote Grange, Leicester, for the Nurses' Library. This is a thoughtful gift at this time of the year, when so many hours can be spent reading out of doors. Perhaps other friends will also remember that papers and books are always much appreciated at 12, Sussex Square, Brighton.

AN admirable article, written by Miss Mary Gardner, Matron of the Isolation Hospital at Norwich, entitled "Excelsior: A Plea for the Vote," appeared in last week's *Woman's Signal*, and we would advise all her colleagues to read it. She says in it many true and wise words.

OF the members of her own profession, she writes:—"It may be said that with the higher education, enlarged interests, and wider scope now offered to woman, it is her own fault if she is narrow. But I answer that the blight of the past is upon us still, the slowly wrought injury of generations cannot be at once overcome. We need every counteracting influence to resist the tendency to a narrow individualism. Even when women enter public life they bring the spirit of egoism too much into their work. If I refer to my own profession it is because I can do so with

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